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## MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH COMMITTEE

(As on 31st December, 1945)

His Worship the Mayor (Councillor C. J. S. Dickens, J.P.)

The Deputy Mayor (Alderman J. Bates).

Chairman: Councillor H. J. Deeming.

Deputy Chairman: Councillor D. E. Crew.

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### MEMBERS

Alderman J. Randle, J.P.

„ P. Woodward.

Councillor H. G. H. Barratt.

„ H. Clarke.

„ W. A. Boulton.

„ G. Comley.

„ H. A. Corbett.

„ L. C. S. FitzRoy-Newdegate.

„ W. H. Hunt.

„ B. H. Mayo.

„ A. H. Moreton.

„ H. G. Painting.

„ W. T. Prince.

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### CO-OPTED MEMBERS:

The Mayoress.

Mesdames E. Cleburns. E. L. Dixon. E. Mansell. S. H.  
Panter.



## **BOROUGH OF NUNEATON**

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Health Department,  
Council House,  
Nuneaton.

### **To The Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.**

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As. Dr. Horsburgh, the Medical Officer of Health, is on important duty in Germany, it falls to my lot to give a foreword to this report.

The year is notable chiefly for the small amount of infectious disease in the Borough, the smallest for many years. In fact, I do not think it has ever been less.

During the period that I have been Acting Medical Officer of Health, the greatest difficulties encountered have been due to deficiency in the numbers of the staff attached to the Health Department. Those who have been carrying out the work of the Department deserve great praise for the way they have accepted extra responsibilities so cheerfully. At Bramcote Hospital the staff shortage has been acute, but the Matron and the staff, about half the usual number, have buckled to and have done marvellously. The same applies to the Health office staff who, always working under difficulties, have surpassed everyone's expectations by their devotion to duty under trying conditions. Perhaps Mr. Mortimer's department (sanitary inspections) has been hardest worked, but Mr. Mortimer and his depleted staff have done yeoman service to the Borough and deserve the highest praise.

I may add that I, in my brief period in charge of the Health Department, have enjoyed the work and I would like to thank the staff for their loyalty to me.

Lastly, I very much appreciate the kindness and consideration given to my efforts by the Mayor and Corporation and the members of the various Committees during my tenure of office.

I have the honour, to be,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

HENRY BURNS,

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

## STAFF OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT

(As on the 31st December, 1945.)

|   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| Medical Officer of Health,<br>School Medical Officer,<br>Superintendent Isolation<br>Hospital,<br>Superintendent Maternity and<br>Child Welfare Clinics.<br>Medical Officer, Veneral<br>Disease Clinic. | } | P. G. HORSBURGH, G.M.,<br>M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.   |
| Assistant Medical Officer of<br>Health and<br>Assistant School Medical<br>Officer   | } | H. BURNS, O.B.E., M.B.,<br>Ch.B. (Edin.).  |
| Temporary Assistant Medical<br>Officer.   | } | G. K. G. COOTE, M.B., B.S.,<br>M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Com-<br>menced 18th March, 1940).                               |
| Chief Sanitary Inspector and<br>Meat Inspector.   | } | F. W. MORTIMER, C.R.S.I.,<br>Cert. Meat Inspector, San.<br>Science, M.S.I.A.                                       |
| Additional Sanitary Inspectors<br>and Meat Inspectors.  | } | K. P. LLEWELLYN, Cert.<br>R.S.I.<br>R. C. STUTTLE, Cert. S.I.B.<br>A. W. BROWN, Cert. R.S.I.<br>(On H.M. Service). |
| Pupil Sanitary Inspectors.  | } | J. CHAPLIN.<br>(On H.M. Service).<br>A. COLLETT.   |
| Health Visitors.  | } | *Miss L. MACPHERSON,<br>S.R.N., S.C.M.<br>*Miss K. T. FLYNN,<br>S.R.N., S.C.M.                                     |

Midwifery Service Supervisor: Mrs. D. CHINN, S.R.N., S.C.M.

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Midwives:  | Mrs. D. BOURNE, S.R.N.,<br>S.C.M.<br>Miss L. DICKESON, S.C.M.<br>Miss S. A. PULLAN, S.R.N.,<br>S.C.M.<br>Miss M. SPEARS, S.C.M.<br>Mrs. M. S. WATSON, S.C.M. |
| Dental Surgeon:                                    | } T. H. THOMPSON,<br>L.R.C.P. & S., L.D.S., R.C.S.   |
| Dental Attendant and Temporary Clerical Assistant: | Miss L. JACKSON.   |
| Isolation Hospital—Matron:                         | Miss C. AHERN.   |
| Clerks:  | W. WOOD (Chief Clerk).<br>L. JACKSON.<br>E. J. BOWER.  |

## PART-TIME OFFICERS:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Consulting Surgeon—Puerperal<br>Fever Regulations.<br>Consultant—Gynæcological<br>Clinic. | } B. M. WILLMOTT DOBBIE,<br>M.A. (Camb.), M.B.,<br>F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. |
| Consulting Surgeon—Isolation<br>Hospital.   | } C. A. RAISON, M.B., Ch.B.<br>(Birm.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.).                        |
| Medical Officer—Ante-Natal<br>Clinics.  | } F. SELBY TAIT, M.B., Ch.B.,<br>F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.                   |
| Orthopædic Surgeon.   | } F. W. ALLEN, M.B., Ch.B.,<br>F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.                     |
| Orthopædic Nurse:<br>Sister-in-Charge.  | SISTER FINTON.  |

\*Health Visitor's Certificate.

# VITAL STATISTICS

Registrar-General's estimate of population: 49,140.

Population calculated on number of ration books: 51,689.

|                 | Legitimate |         | Illegitimate |         | Totals.          |         |
|-----------------|------------|---------|--------------|---------|------------------|---------|
|                 | Males      | Females | Males        | Females | Males            | Females |
| Live Births ... | 502        | 468     | 43           | 39      | 545              | 507     |
|                 |            |         |              |         | <hr/> 1052 <hr/> |         |

Birth Rate:—21.4 per 1,000 population.

|                 | Legitimate |         | Illegitimate |         | Totals.        |         |
|-----------------|------------|---------|--------------|---------|----------------|---------|
|                 | Males      | Females | Males        | Females | Males          | Females |
| Stillbirths ... | 14         | 12      | 2            | 2       | 16             | 14      |
|                 |            |         |              |         | <hr/> 30 <hr/> |         |

Stillbirth Rate:—27.7 per 1,000 (live and still) births.

|            |     |     | Males | Females | Total |
|------------|-----|-----|-------|---------|-------|
| Deaths ... | ... | ... | 292   | 211     | 503   |

Death Rate:—10.2 per 1,000 population.

Deaths of Infants under one year of age:—

|                  |     |     |     |    |          |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----------|
| Legitimate ...   | ... | ... | ... | 50 |          |
| Illegitimate ... | ... | ... | ... | 5  | Total 55 |

Infantile Mortality Rate:—52.2 per 1,000 live births.

Number of women dying in, or in consequence of, child-birth:—

|                       |     |   |  |
|-----------------------|-----|---|--|
| From Sepsis ...       | ... | — | } Total: .9 per 1,000 births<br>(live and still births). |
| From other causes ... | ... | 1 |  |

|                                |     |     |     |   |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|---|
| Deaths from Measles (all ages) | ... | ... | ... | 3 |
| „ „ Whooping Cough             | ... | ... | ... | 1 |
| „ „ Diarrhœa (under 2 years)   | ... | ... | ... | 5 |



# CAUSES OF DEATH, 1945.

| Causes of Death.   | Males | Females | Total |
|--|-------|---------|-------|
| All Causes .. .. .   | 292   | 211     | 503   |
| Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever ..                                   | —     | —       | —     |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever .. .. .                                       | 1     | —       | 1     |
| Scarlet Fever .. .. .  | —     | —       | —     |
| Whooping Cough .. .. .   | —     | 1       | 1     |
| Diphtheria .. .. .   | 1     | —       | 1     |
| Tuberculosis—Respiratory system ..                                 | 9     | 12      | 21    |
| Tuberculosis—Other Forms .. ..                                     | 2     | 4       | 6     |
| Syphilitic Diseases .. .. .  | —     | —       | —     |
| Influenza .. .. .  | 1     | —       | 1     |
| Measles .. .. .  | 2     | 1       | 3     |
| Acute Poliomyelitis and polio-<br>encephalitis .. .. .             | —     | —       | —     |
| Ac: Inf: Encephalitis .. .. .                                      | —     | —       | —     |
| Cancer .. .. .   | 39    | 29      | 68    |
| Diabetes .. .. .   | 5     | 3       | 8     |
| Intracranial Vascular Lesions .. ..                                | 23    | 20      | 43    |
| Heart Disease .. .. .  | 73    | 66      | 139   |
| Other diseases of circulatory system                               | 6     | 3       | 9     |
| Bronchitis .. .. .   | 18    | 18      | 36    |
| Pneumonia .. .. .  | 13    | 10      | 23    |
| Other Respiratory Diseases .. ..                                   | 5     | 1       | 6     |
| Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum ..                                    | 7     | 3       | 10    |
| Diarrhoea—under 2 years .. ..                                      | 3     | 2       | 5     |
| Appendicitis .. .. .   | 3     | 2       | 5     |
| Other Digestive Diseases .. ..                                     | 6     | 2       | 8     |
| Nephritis .. .. .  | 7     | 8       | 15    |
| Puerperal and Post-abortive Sepsis                                 | —     | —       | —     |
| Other Maternal Causes .. .. .                                      | —     | 1       | 1     |
| Premature birth .. .. .  | 10    | 3       | 13    |
| Congenital Malformations, birth<br>injuries; infantile diseases .. | 18    | 5       | 23    |
| Suicide .. .. .  | 3     | 1       | 4     |
| Road Traffic accidents .. .. .                                     | 6     | 1       | 7     |
| Other Violent Causes .. .. .                                       | 11    | 4       | 15    |
| All Other Causes .. .. .   | 20    | 11      | 31    |

## BIRTHS

Nuneaton

Birth-rate per 1,000 population:—21.4.

| Ward               | Legitimate |         | Illegitimate |         | Total |         | Total |
|--------------------|------------|---------|--------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
|                    | Males      | Females | Males        | Females | Males | Females |       |
| Attleborough ..    | 53         | 54      | 6            | 7       | 59    | 61      | 120   |
| St. Nicholas ..    | 91         | 76      | 6            | 2       | 97    | 78      | 175   |
| Manor ..           | 27         | 34      | 2            | 3       | 29    | 37      | 66    |
| St. Mary ..        | 59         | 46      | 6            | 2       | 65    | 48      | 113   |
| Arbury ..          | 72         | 68      | 8            | 4       | 80    | 72      | 152   |
| Coton ..           | 53         | 52      | 2            | 1       | 55    | 53      | 108   |
| Galley Common ..   | 44         | 37      | 2            | 5       | 46    | 42      | 88    |
| Stockingford ..    | 88         | 93      | 10           | 6       | 98    | 99      | 197   |
| Inward Transfers . | 15         | 8       | 1            | 9       | 16    | 17      | 33    |
| TOTALS ..          | 502        | 468     | 43           | 39      | 545   | 507     | 1052  |

## INFANTILE MORTALITY

### ANALYSIS OF INFANT DEATHS, 1945.

| Causes of Death    | Under  | 1-2 | 2-3 | 3-4 | Total       | 1-3  | 3-6  | 6-9  | 9-12 | Total        |
|--------------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-------------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|                    | 1 week | wks | wks | wks | und'r 4 wks | mths | mths | mths | mths | under 1 year |
| Congenital Defects | 12     | 1   | 3   | —   | 16          | 6    | 1    | —    | —    | 23           |
| Prematurity        | 11     | 1   | —   | —   | 12          | 1    | —    | —    | —    | 13           |
| Convulsions        | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | —    | —    | 1    | —    | 1            |
| Bronchitis         | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | 1    | —    | —    | —    | 1            |
| Pneumonia          | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | 4    | 3    | 1    | —    | 8            |
| Diphtheria         | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | —    | —    | 1    | —    | 1            |
| Measles            | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | —    | 1    | —    | 1    | 2            |
| Meningitis         | —      | —   | 1   | —   | 1           | —    | —    | 1    | —    | 2            |
| Gastro Enteritis   | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | —    | 2    | —    | 1    | 3            |
| Misadventure       | —      | —   | —   | —   | —           | —    | —    | —    | 1    | 1            |
| Totals ..          | 23     | 2   | 4   | —   | 29          | 12   | 7    | 4    | 3    | 55           |

### INFANT DEATHS—WARDS

Infantile Mortality Rate:—52.2.

| Ward          | Males | Females | Total |
|---------------|-------|---------|-------|
| Attleborough  | 3     | —       | 3     |
| St. Nicholas  | 8     | 2       | 10    |
| Manor         | 2     | 1       | 3     |
| St. Mary      | 5     | 4       | 9     |
| Arbury        | 10    | 5       | 15    |
| Coton         | 2     | —       | 2     |
| Galley Common | 2     | 2       | 4     |
| Stockingford  | 7     | 2       | 9     |
| Total         | 39    | 16      | 55    |

### AMBULANCE SERVICE

This service is still under the control of the Warwickshire County Council and is working satisfactorily.

### CLINICS.

| Service.  | Situation of Premises.                  | Days Open.  | Authority Responsible.  |
|---|---|---|-------------------------|
| <b>Maternity and Child Welfare:</b><br>Welfare Centres                      | Coton Road<br>(entrance Riversley Park) | Mondays,<br>Tuesdays and<br>Wednesdays,<br>2 to 4 p.m.  | Borough Council.        |
|   | Cross Street                            | Mondays and<br>Wednesdays,<br>2 to 4 p.m.   | ditto.                  |
| Ante-Natal<br>Centre  | Coton Road                              | 2nd and 4th<br>Thursday in<br>month, 2.15 p.m.  | ditto.                  |
|   | Cross Street                            | 1st and 3rd<br>Thursday in<br>month, 2.15 p.m.  | ditto.                  |
| Gynæcological<br>Clinic ..  | Coton Road                              | 2nd Tuesday in<br>month, 9 a.m. to<br>12 noon.  | ditto.                  |
| Dental Clinic ..  | Coton Road                              | Every Thursday,<br>2 p.m. to 4 p.m.   | ditto.                  |
| 1-5 Minor<br>Ailment Clinic   | Coton Road<br>and Cross Street          | 9 to 10 a.m. each<br>morning.   | ditto.                  |
| <b>School Medical Service:</b><br>Treatment and<br>Inspection<br>Clinics .. | Coton Road                              | Every week-day<br>morning 9 a.m. to<br>12 noon.   | Education<br>Committee. |
|   | Cross Street                            | ditto.  |                         |
| Eye Clinic ..   | Coton Road                              | one morning<br>per week   | ditto.                  |
| Aural Clinic ..   | ditto.                                  | Thursday<br>mornings  | ditto.                  |
| Orthopædic<br>Clinic ..   | ditto.                                  | Fourth Friday in<br>month, 2 p.m.<br>Intermediate<br>treatment weekly,<br>Monday 9-12 noon<br>Friday, 2 to 5 p.m. | ditto.                  |



**CLINICS—Continued.**

| Service.                          | Situation of Premises.              | Days Open.   | Authority Responsible.                                      |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| Sunray ..                         | Coton Road                          | Thursday,<br>2 to 4 p.m.<br>Saturday,<br>9 a.m. to 12 noon.  | Education Committee.  |
| Dental Clinic ..                  | Coton Road                          | Monday and Tuesday,<br>9 a.m. to 5 p.m.<br>Wednesday,<br>9 a.m. to 1 p.m.<br>Thursday,<br>9 a.m. to 1 p.m.<br>Friday,<br>9 a.m. to 5 p.m.<br>Saturday,<br>9 a.m. to 12 noon. | ditto.<br><br>ditto.  |
| M. & C.W. ..                      | Coton Road                          | Every Thursday,<br>2 p.m.  | Under Borough Council.                                      |
| Tuberculosis Dispensary ..        | 35, Coton Road (converted dwelling) | Tuesday,<br>10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  | Warwickshire and Coventry Joint Committee for Tuberculosis. |
| Venereal Diseases Male Clinics .. | Cleansing Station, Central Avenue   | Fridays,<br>6 to 7.30 p.m.   | Medical Officer of Health in attendance.                    |
| Female Clinics                    | ditto.                              | Tuesdays, 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.<br><br>(Intermediate daily treatment also provided.)<br>Males: 6.30 p.m. (Tuesday excepted.)<br>Females By appointment.                     | ditto.<br><br>Under Warwickshire County Council.            |



INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The following table gives particulars of the work carried out by the staff of the Isolation Hospital to cases of infectious disease which were treated at home.

NEW CASES AND VISITS FOR THE YEAR 1945.

| Disease.         | St. Mary's |    | Manor |   | S. Nicholas |    | Attleboro' |    | Coton |    | Arbury |    | S'ford |    | GalleyCom |   | Total |     |
|------------------|------------|----|-------|---|-------------|----|------------|----|-------|----|--------|----|--------|----|-----------|---|-------|-----|
|                  | C          | V  | C     | V | C           | V  | C          | V  | C     | V  | C      | V  | C      | V  | C         | V | C     | V   |
| Measles .. ..    | 3          | 7  | —     | — | 8           | 16 | 2          | 3  | 6     | 15 | 10     | 13 | 19     | 32 | —         | — | 48    | 86  |
| Scarlet Fever .. | 1          | 7  | 1     | 4 | 5           | 17 | 1          | 4  | 12    | 50 | 4      | 22 | 5      | 25 | 2         | 9 | 31    | 138 |
| Whooping Cough   | 4          | 13 | 1     | 2 | 8           | 18 | 4          | 5  | 1     | 3  | 3      | 4  | 2      | 6  | 2         | 5 | 25    | 56  |
| Chickenpox .. .. | —          | —  | —     | — | —           | —  | —          | —  | —     | —  | —      | —  | 2      | 5  | —         | — | 2     | 5   |
| Erysipelas .. .. | —          | —  | 1     | 2 | —           | —  | 1          | 17 | 1     | 3  | —      | —  | —      | —  | —         | — | 3     | 22  |
| Total .. ..      |            |    |       |   |             |    |            |    |       |    |        |    |        |    |           |   | 109   | 307 |

C=Cases. V=Visits.

## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938

Sixty-six samples were obtained under the above Act. These were as follows:—

|           |     |     |     |     |     |    |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Milk      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 62 |
| Dripping  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1  |
| Ice Cream | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1  |
| Beer      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1  |
| Whisky    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1  |

Of these samples fifty-nine were informal and seven formal. Analyses yielded the following results:—

|                |     |     |     |     |    |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Satisfactory   | ... | ... | ... | ... | 63 |
| Unsatisfactory | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3  |

The unsatisfactory samples were:—

Sample No. 433 (Informal) Milk. Deficient 10% solids fat.

Sample No. 434 (Informal) Milk. Deficient 6% solids fat.

Sample No. 435 (Informal) Milk. Deficient 13% solids fat.

Formal samples taken subsequently from the producer of the above proved genuine. As it was found the deficiency in fat occurred through imperfect mixing of the milk, the producer was cautioned.

## LABORATORY FACILITIES

This has remained unaltered.

## NURSING IN THE HOMES

No alteration has taken place in this service.

## MIDWIFERY SERVICE

This has remained unaltered.

I give below particulars of work carried out by the staff of the Municipal Midwifery Service during the year under review:—

Number of cases attended

|                         |     |     |     |     |     |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (a) as Midwives         | ... | ... | ... | ... | 272 |
| (b) as Maternity Nurses | ... | ... | ... | ... | 17  |

### Ante-Natal Clinics

F. Selby Tait, Esq., M.B., Ch.B., has carried out the work at the Clinics, held at Riversley Park and Stockingford Clinics.

The following table gives the number of cases and re-attendances of patients:—

|                 | Riversley Park Clinic |                   |       |     | Stockingford Clinic |                   |       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------|-----|---------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                 | New cases             | Subsequent visits | Total |     | New cases           | Subsequent visits | Total |
| 1st quarter ... | 47                    | 34                | 81    | ... | 37                  | 56                | 93    |
| 2nd quarter .   | 36                    | 31                | 67    | ... | 29                  | 32                | 61    |
| 3rd quarter ... | 32                    | 27                | 59    | ... | 28                  | 22                | 50    |
| 4th quarter ... | 31                    | 33                | 64    | ... | 32                  | 39                | 71    |
| TOTALS ...      | 146                   | 125               | 271   |     | 126                 | 149               | 275   |

### Gynæcological Clinic

Mrs. B. Willmott Dobbie, M.A. (Camb.), M.B., F.R.C.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., attends this Clinic once a month and the following is a report on the work carried out during the year:

|                          |     |     |     |    |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Number of sessions       | ... | ... | ... | 12 |
| Number of cases          | ... | ... | ... | 78 |
| Number of re-attendances | ... | ... | ... | 45 |

### MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

Particulars of work carried out by Health Visitors:—

|  | Visits. |
|--|---------|
| Home visiting of babies under 1 year of age            | 3,767   |
| Home visiting of babies between 1—5 years of age       | 4,731   |
| Home visiting of expectant mothers                     | 42      |
| Home visiting of cases of measles under 5 years of age | 50      |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorum                                  | 51      |
| Diseases of respiratory system                         | 276     |
| Diseases of digestive system                           | 174     |
| Diseases of special senses                             | 202     |
| Surgical dressings                                     | 63      |
| Diseases of the skin                                   | 175     |
| Diseases of breast (mother)                            | 15      |
| Diseases not classified                                | 41      |

### Feeding

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Babies wholly breast fed      | 348 |
| Partially breast and hand fed | 71  |
| Wholly hand fed               | 125 |

## CLINICS

I give below particulars of attendances and ailments found at the Infant Welfare Clinics:—

|   | Nuneaton | Stockingford |
|---|----------|--------------|
| Welfare sessions ... ..                         | 144      | 98           |
| No. of babies on register, 1st Jan. 1945 ... .. | 1,198    | 476          |
| No. of babies added to books during 1945 ... .. | 579      | 239          |
| No. ceased to attend ... ..                     | 574      | 244          |
| No. on register 1st Jan. 1946 ...               | 1,203    | 471          |
| Total attendances ... ..                        | 11,409   | 3,992        |

The following table shows the various diseases found among the infants seen by the Medical Officers at the Clinics:

|                                    | Nuneaton | Stockingford |
|------------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Normal babies ... ..               | 468      | 257          |
| Diseases of digestive system ...   | 230      | 197          |
| Diseases of respiratory system ... | 138      | 102          |
| Diseases of skin ... ..            | 200      | 120          |
| Diseases of eye ... ..             | 74       | 34           |
| Diseases of nose, ear and throat   | 93       | 35           |
| Congenital diseases ... ..         | 1        | 3            |
| Hernia and Phimosi ... ..          | 172      | 215          |
| Orthopædic conditions ... ..       | 61       | 11           |
| Rickets ... ..                     | 5        | 4            |
| Surgical cases ... ..              | 38       | 25           |
| Other diseases ... ..              | 187      | 115          |
| Dental defects ... ..              | 10       | 5            |

## CHILD LIFE PROTECTION

The following is a summary of cases dealt with by the Health Visitors, under the Child Life Protection Act:—

1. Number of foster parents on register ... .. 4
2. Number of children on register ... .. 4
  - (a) at the end of the year ... .. 4
  - (b) who died during the year ... .. —
3. Number of cases in which proceedings were taken —

## HOSPITAL PROVISION

This has remained unaltered.



## PUBLIC CLEANSING

The approximate weight of refuse collected during the year was 10,737 tons 14 cwts.

The weight dealt with by the destructor plant was 6,346 tons, which was a decrease of 1,838 tons on the previous year.

The plant for the disposal of offals, condemned meat, fish, etc., for the production of fertilizers and feeding stuffs, etc., has been working satisfactorily and has produced the following during the year:—

|                       |     |     |     | Tons | cwts. | qtrs. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|-------|
| No. 1 fertilizer      | ... | ... | ... | 26   | 3     | 3     |
| No. 2 fertilizer      | ... | ... | ... | —    | 7     | 2     |
| Bone Meal             | ... | ... | ... | 1    | 15    | 3     |
| Meat Meal             | ... | ... | ... | 9    | 18    | 1     |
| Dried Blood           | ... | ... | ... | 3    | 17    | —     |
| Grease and Fats       | ... | ... | ... | 21   | 9     | —     |
| Concentrated Pig Food | ... | ... | ... | 376  | 11    | —     |
| Bottles and jars      | ... | ... | ... | 5    | 17    | —     |

## SALVAGE

|                   |     |     |     | Tons  | cwts. | qtrs. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Waste paper       | ... | ... | ... | 264   | 4     | —     |
| Rags              | ... | ... | ... | 9     | 1     | —     |
| Bones             | ... | ... | ... | 13    | 11    | 2     |
| Rubber            | ... | ... | ... | —     | 10    | —     |
| Ferrous metal     | ... | ... | ... | 145   | 18    | —     |
| Non-Ferrous metal | ... | ... | ... | 1     | 3     | 2     |
| Cinders           | ... | ... | ... | 1,366 | 18    | —     |

## FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

### 1.—Inspection of Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

Including Inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors or Inspectors of Nuisances.

| Premises.                                       | Number of   |                 |                      |
|---|-------------|-----------------|----------------------|
|   | Inspections | Written Notices | Occupiers prosecuted |
| Factories (including Factory Laundries)         | 2           | —               | —                    |
| Workshops<br>(Including Workshop Laundries)     | 34          | —               | —                    |
| Workplaces<br>(Other than Outworkers' premises) | —           | —               | —                    |
| Total   | 36          | —               | —                    |

### 2.—Defects Found in Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

| Particulars.                                     | Number of Defects |          |                            | Number of offences in respect to which Prosecutions were instituted |
|--|-------------------|----------|----------------------------|---|
|  | Found             | Remedied | Referred to H.M. Inspector |   |
| <i>Nuisances under the Public Health Acts :—</i> |                   |          |                            |   |
| Want of cleanliness                              | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| Want of Ventilation                              | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| Overcrowding                                     | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| Want of drainage of floors                       | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| Other Nuisances                                  | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| Sanitary Accommodation—                          |                   |          |                            |   |
| Insufficient                                     | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| unsuitable or defective                          | 3                 | 3        | —                          | —   |
| not separate for sexes                           | —                 | —        | —                          | —   |
| Total  | 3                 | 3        | —                          | —   |

## INSPECTIONS BY SANITARY INSPECTORS

### To Dwelling Houses:—

|  |     |     |     |     |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Disinfections after infectious disease | ... | ... | ... | 76  |
| Disinfections for vermin               | ... | ... | ... | 59  |
| Re infectious diseases                 | ... | ... | ... | 122 |
| For drain testing                      | ... | ... | ... | 74  |
| Inspections under Housing Acts         | ... | ... | ... | 1   |
| Re-inspections under Housing Acts      | ... | ... | ... | —   |

### To Other Premises:—

|                         |     |     |     |    |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| Factories and Workshops | ... | ... | ... | 2  |
| Lodging House           | ... | ... | ... | 10 |
| Knacker's Yard          | ... | ... | ... | 3  |
| Offensive Trades        | ... | ... | ... | —  |
| Smoke Observations      | ... | ... | ... | 27 |

### To Food Preparing Places:—

|                                  |     |     |     |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Meat Preparing Places            | ... | ... | ... | 142 |
| Fried Fish Shops                 | ... | ... | ... | 142 |
| Slaughterhouses                  | ... | ... | ... | —   |
| Dairies, Milkshops and Cowsheds  | ... | ... | ... | 366 |
| Abattoir                         | ... | ... | ... | 857 |
| Bakehouses                       | ... | ... | ... | 34  |
| Butchers' Shops, Stalls and Vans | ... | ... | ... | 143 |

### Miscellaneous Visits:—

|                          |     |     |     |      |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Miscellaneous Visits     | ... | ... | ... | 3830 |
| Visits re Rat Repression | ... | ... | ... | 1092 |

## NUISANCES ABATED

### Dwelling Houses:—

|   |     |     |    |
|---|-----|-----|----|
| Defective walls and ceilings repaired ... | ... | ... | 32 |
| Roofs repaired ...                        | ... | ... | 37 |
| Chimneys repaired ...                     | ... | ... | 3  |
| Spouting repaired or new provided ...     | ... | ... | 28 |
| Filthy houses cleansed ...                | ... | ... | 57 |
| Defective floors repaired or renewed ...  | ... | ... | 88 |
| Dangerous stairs repaired ...             | ... | ... | —  |
| Windows renewed or repaired ...           | ... | ... | 11 |
| Fireplaces repaired or rebuilt ...        | ... | ... | 17 |
| Coppers repaired or rebuilt ...           | ... | ... | 41 |
| Sinks and waste pipes provided ...        | ... | ... | 4  |
| New Water services provided ...           | ... | ... | 10 |
| Yard paving repaired ...                  | ... | ... | 9  |
| Houses re-pointed ...                     | ... | ... | 2  |
| New wash-houses provided ...              | ... | ... | 1  |
| New doors provided ...                    | ... | ... | 1  |
| Food storage accommodation improved ...   | ... | ... | 2  |
| New pantries built or improved ...        | ... | ... | 2  |

### Drainage, etc:—

|   |     |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|-----|
| Drainage cleared from obstruction ...                 | ... | ... | 205 |
| Drainage inspection chambers provided or repaired ... | ... | ... | 36  |
| New drainage provided ...                             | ... | ... | 1   |
| New gullies provided ...                              | ... | ... | 6   |
| Ventilating shafts improved ...                       | ... | ... | 3   |
| Defective drains relaid ...                           | ... | ... | 7   |

### Closet Accommodation:—

|   |     |     |    |
|---|-----|-----|----|
| Water closet cisterns repaired or renewed ... | ... | ... | 40 |
| Water closets thoroughly repaired ...         | ... | ... | 88 |
| New w.c. basins and traps provided ...        | ... | ... | 52 |

### Domestic Refuse:—

|                       |     |     |    |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|----|
| Dustbins provided ... | ... | ... | 44 |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|----|

### Other Nuisances:—

|                                       |     |     |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Offensive accumulations removed ...   | ... | ... | 5   |
| Rat infested premises cleared ...     | ... | ... | 133 |
| Nuisances from keeping of animals ... | ... | ... | 4   |
| Verminous premises cleared ...        | ... | ... | 64  |

## MILK SUPPLY

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Premises in Borough in which cows are kept ...                         | 62 |
| No. of milk retailers, other than producers resident<br>in Borough ... | 18 |



## HOUSING

### (a) Statistics

Number of new houses erected during the year ... Nil.

Active housing work had perforce to cease during the year.

Houses demolished during the year were as follows:—

Individual unfit houses ... Nil.

Houses included in clearance areas ... 6

## CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

| Detail  | Cattle<br>excluding<br>cows | Cows       | Calves    | Sheep &<br>Lambs | Pigs      |
|---|-----------------------------|------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| Number killed .. ..   | 3,049                       | 1,518      | 2,025     | 13,628           | 659       |
| Number inspected .. ..  | 3,049                       | 1,518      | 2,025     | 13,628           | 659       |
| All diseases except<br>Tuberculosis:<br>Whole carcases<br>condemned                             | 16                          | 30         | 9         | 17               | 41        |
| Carcases of which some<br>part or organ was<br>condemned .. ..                                  | 556                         | 264        | 1         | 127              | 1         |
| Percentage of the number<br>inspected affected with<br>disease other than<br>Tuberculosis .. .. | %<br>18.76                  | %<br>19.37 | %<br>0.49 | %<br>1.06        | %<br>6.37 |
| Tuberculosis only:<br>Whole carcases<br>condemned   | 40                          | 35         | 16        | —                | 6         |
| Carcases of which some<br>part or organ was<br>condemned .. ..                                  | 1,022                       | 805        | —         | —                | 45        |
| Percentage of the number<br>inspected affected with<br>Tuberculosis .. ..                       | %<br>34.83                  | %<br>55.34 | %<br>0.79 | —                | %<br>7.74 |

## MEAT CONDEMNED

| DETAILS   | Weight |       |      |     |
|---|--------|-------|------|-----|
|   | Tons   | Cwts. | Qrs. | lbs |
| <b>Tuberculosis:</b>  |        |       |      |     |
| 35 carcasses and all organs of cows .. ..                     | 11     | 16    | 1    |     |
| Portions of carcasses of Cows .. .. .                         | 3      | 12    | 3    | 23  |
| Organs of Cows .. .. .  | 13     | 12    |      | 18  |
| 40 carcasses and all organs of cattle other than Cows .. .. . | 12     | 17    |      | 16  |
| Portions of carcasses of Cattle other than Cows               | 3      | 2     | 1    | 8   |
| Organs of Cattle other than Cows .. .. .                      | 16     | 12    |      | 24  |
| 6 carcasses and all organs of pigs .. .. .                    |        | 7     | 2    | 20  |
| Organs of pigs .. .. .  |        | 13    | 3    | 5   |
| 16 carcasses and all organs of calves .. ..                   |        | 7     |      | 16  |
| <b>Diseases other than Tuberculosis:</b>                      |        |       |      |     |
| 30 carcasses and all organs of cows .. ..                     | 10     | 3     | 2    | 8   |
| Portions of carcasses of cows .. .. .                         |        |       | 1    | 19  |
| Organs of Cows .. .. .  | 2      | 11    |      | 17  |
| 16 carcasses and all organs of cattle other than Cows .. .. . | 5      | 2     | 3    | 12  |
| Portions of carcasses of Cattle other than Cows               |        |       | 1    | 8   |
| Organs of Cattle other than Cows .. ..                        | 2      | 19    | 3    | 2   |
| 41 carcasses and all organs of pigs .. .. .                   | 2      | 14    | 3    | 18  |
| Organs of Pigs .. .. .  |        |       |      | 14  |
| 17 carcasses and all organs of sheep .. ..                    |        | 10    | 2    | 14  |
| Organs of Sheep .. .. .                                       |        | 4     | 2    | 1   |
| 9 carcasses and all organs of calves .. ..                    |        | 4     |      | 2   |
| Total Weight .. .. .  | 88     | 13    | 3    | 21  |

# MEAT AND OTHER FOODS CONDEMNED.

| DETAILS   | Weight   |           |          |           |
|---|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
|   | Tons     | Cwts.     | Qrs.     | lbs.      |
| 978 tins of Corned Beef .. .. .   |          | 10        | 0        | 12½       |
| 3452 tins and jars of fish, fruit, jam, milk,<br>vegetables, etc. .. .. . | 1        | 9         | 2        | 2         |
| 504 fish cakes and rolls .. .. .  |          | 1         | 1        | 17½       |
| 1941 eggs .. .. .   |          | 2         |          | 19        |
| 922 Rabbits .. .. .   | 1        | 6         |          | 27        |
| 7 Pigeons .. .. .   |          |           |          | 8         |
| 135 Pikelets .. .. .  |          |           |          | 14        |
| Butter, Margarine and Lard .. .. .  |          |           |          | 3½        |
| Yeast .. .. .   |          |           |          | 12        |
| Fruit .. .. .   |          |           | 2        | 0         |
| Cheese .. .. .  |          |           | 3        | 24        |
| Bacon and Ham .. .. .   |          | 1         | 2        | 10¼       |
| Fish and Shellfish .. .. .  |          | 6         | 0        | 8         |
| Sugar .. .. .   |          | 1         | 1        | 18        |
| Sausages, etc. .. .. .  |          | 1         | 0        | 22        |
| Flour .. .. .   |          |           | 2        | 1         |
| Oats, Rice, Cereals, etc. .. .. .   |          | 5         | 1        | 22½       |
| Dried Eggs .. .. .  |          |           | 2        | 20        |
| Dried Fruit .. .. .   |          | 4         | 2        | 4         |
| Vegetables .. .. .  |          | 2         | 2        | 22        |
| Potatoes .. .. .  |          | 5         | 2        | 21        |
| Tomatoes .. .. .  |          | 1         | 3        | 20        |
| Sweets and Chocolates .. .. .   |          |           | 1        | 1½        |
| Imported beef .. .. .   |          | 15        | 1        | 9¾        |
| <b>Total Weight</b> .. .. .   | <b>5</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>11</b> |

### WAR-TIME DAY NURSERIES

The following table gives particulars of attendance at the War-time Day Nurseries for the year, 1945:—

|  | Attleborough<br>Road. | Avenue<br>Road. | Merevale<br>Avenue. | St. Paul's<br>Road. |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Average number of children on register per month ... ..      | 32                    | 33.6            | 35.08               | 34.5                |
| Average attendance per day of children age up to 2 years ... | 6.6                   | 6.35            | 7.11                | 9.1                 |
| Average attendance per day of children 2—5 years of age ...  | 16.6                  | 16.39           | 17.1                | 13.7                |

### INFECTIOUS DISEASES—WARDS

| Disease               | Ward         |              |       |          |        |       |               |              | Total |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------|----------|--------|-------|---------------|--------------|-------|
|                       | Attleborough | St. Nicholas | Manor | St. Mary | Arbury | Coton | Galley Common | Stockingford |       |
| Scarlet Fever         | 6            | 19           | 6     | 3        | 17     | 6     | 3             | 10           | 70    |
| Diphtheria            | 1            | 2            | —     | 1        | 6      | 3     | —             | 4            | 17    |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever  | 1            | 1            | —     | 1        | —      | —     | —             | —            | 3     |
| Pneumonia             | —            | 3            | 4     | 2        | 7      | 4     | 3             | 11           | 34    |
| Measles               | 24           | 35           | 13    | 29       | 96     | 59    | 22            | 76           | 354   |
| Whoop'g Cough         | 4            | 10           | 1     | 1        | 1      | 5     | 1             | 4            | 27    |
| Puerperal Pyrexia     | —            | 1            | —     | 1        | 3      | 1     | —             | 1            | 7     |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorum | —            | —            | 1     | 1        | —      | —     | —             | 1            | 3     |
| Erysipelas            | 1            | 1            | 1     | —        | 1      | 2     | 2             | 4            | 12    |
| Malaria               | —            | 1            | —     | —        | —      | —     | —             | —            | 1     |
| Dysentery             | 2            | 5            | —     | 1        | 6      | 1     | 1             | 9            | 25    |

### Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

| Cases    |         |          | Vision Unimpaired | Vision Impaired | Total Blindness | Deaths |
|----------|---------|----------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|
| Notified | Treated |          |                   |                 |                 |        |
|          | At Home | Hospital |                   |                 |                 |        |
| 3        | 1       | 2        | 2                 | —               | —               | 1      |





## DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION

|   | Children<br>under 5<br>years of age | Children<br>5—15 years<br>of age. |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Approximate estimate of children in the<br>Authority's area 31st December, 1945 | 4870                                | 7660                              |
| Percentage of Child population shown<br>above immunised .....                   | 30.6%                               | 65.2%                             |

## ORTHOPÆDIC CLINIC

I give below a report on the work carried out at this Clinic during the year 1945:—

| Diseases.                     | School | Infants | Adults | Total |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Tuberculosis .....            | 3      | 1       | 20     | 24    |
| Spastic Paralysis .....       | 5      | 4       | —      | 9     |
| Infantile Paralysis .....     | 8      | 1       | —      | 9     |
| Rickets .....                 | 1      | 2       | —      | 3     |
| Bone Injuries .....           | 5      | 2       | 5      | 12    |
| Spinal Deformities .....      | 17     | 7       | 6      | 30    |
| Flat Feet .....               | 33     | 11      | —      | 44    |
| Claw Foot .....               | 12     | 8       | —      | 20    |
| Club Foot .....               | 7      | 10      | —      | 17    |
| Knock Knees .....             | 15     | 5       | —      | 20    |
| Osteomyelitis .....           | 2      | —       | —      | 2     |
| Other Conditions .....        | 21     | 1       | 9      | 31    |
| No. of new cases .....        | 46     | 19      | 5      | 70    |
| No. from previous year .....  | 97     | 45      | 15     | 157   |
| No. treated in Hospital ..... | 11     | 7       | 3      | 21    |
| Instruments supplied .....    | 55     | 5       | 1      | 61    |
| Clinics M.O. ....             |        |         |        | 5     |
| Attendances at same .....     | 156    | 53      | 21     | 230   |
| Attendances—Treatment         |        |         |        |       |
| Clinics .....                 | 1,270  | 195     | —      | 1,465 |
| Total Attendances .....       | 1,426  | 248     | 21     | 1,695 |
| No. of Treatment Clinics ...  | 91     | —       | —      | 91    |
| No. Discharged .....          | 10     | 12      | —      | 22    |

## TUBERCULOSIS

### NEW CASES AND MORTALITY, 1945.

| Age Period.   | New Cases. |    |                |    | Deaths.    |    |                |    |
|---------------|------------|----|----------------|----|------------|----|----------------|----|
|               | Pulmonary. |    | Non-Pulmonary. |    | Pulmonary. |    | Non-Pulmonary. |    |
|               | M.         | F. | M.             | F. | M.         | F. | M.             | F. |
| 0- 1 .....    |            |    |                |    |            |    |                |    |
| 1- 5 .....    |            | 1  | 1              | 1  |            |    |                | 1  |
| 5-10 .....    | 5          | 1  |                |    |            |    |                |    |
| 10-15 .....   | 2          | 5  | 1              | 1  |            |    |                |    |
| 15-20 .....   | 3          | 3  |                | 2  |            | 2  |                |    |
| 20-25 .....   | 8          | 14 |                |    | 2          | 5  |                |    |
| 25-35 .....   | 7          | 5  |                | 1  | 2          | 2  | 1              |    |
| 35-45 .....   | 9          | 6  | 1              |    | 2          |    |                |    |
| 45-55 .....   | 7          | 4  |                |    |            | 4  |                | 1  |
| 55-65 .....   | 2          | 1  |                |    | 2          | 1  |                |    |
| 65-over ..... |            |    |                |    |            |    |                |    |
| Totals .....  | 43         | 40 | 3              | 5  | 8          | 14 | 1              | 2  |

|                                 |   |       |             |
|---------------------------------|---|-------|-------------|
|                                 |   | Lungs | Other forms |
| Cases not notified—Deaths ..... | 5 |       | 1           |

**ISOLATION HOSPITAL.  
CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL, 1945**

| Disease.                  | Borough Cases |        | Rural Cases |        | Total | Deaths |        | Total |
|---------------------------|---------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
|                           | Male          | F'male | Male        | F'male |       | Male   | F'male |       |
| Scarlet Fever             | 30            | 20     | 6           | 10     | 66    | —      | —      | —     |
| S.F. & Measles            | —             | 1      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| „ & Chicken Pox           | —             | —      | —           | 1      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Diphtheria                | 8             | 9      | 1           | 1      | 19    | —      | —      | —     |
| Diph. & Scarlet Fever     | 1             | —      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Measles                   | 5             | 2      | 1           | 2      | 10    | —      | —      | —     |
| Cerebro Spinal Meningitis | —             | 2      | 2           | —      | 4     | 1      | —      | 1     |
| Dysentery                 | 4             | 1      | 1           | 3      | 9     | —      | —      | —     |
| Strep Throat              | 5             | —      | 1           | 1      | 7     | —      | —      | —     |
| Erysipelas                | 1             | —      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Rheumatic Fever           | 1             | —      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Whooping Cough            | 1             | —      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Tuberculosis              | —             | 1      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Pneumonia                 | —             | 2      | —           | —      | 2     | —      | —      | —     |
| Strep: Lymphangitis       | —             | 1      | —           | —      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Parotitis                 | —             | —      | —           | 1      | 1     | —      | —      | —     |
| Chicken Pox               | 1             | —      | 1           | —      | 2     | —      | —      | —     |
| Observation               | —             | 1      | 2           | 1      | 4     | —      | —      | —     |
|                           | 57            | 40     | 15          | 20     | 132   | 1      | —      | 1     |